

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for providing rewards to a user who reviews an advertiser's web site in response to clicking a banner advertisement, comprising the steps of:

providing banner advertisements for a first group of a
5 plurality of advertisers on a plurality of websites of a second group;

linking said banner advertisements to respective websites of said first group of advertisers so that clicking on a banner advertisement by a user will bring the
10 user to a respective website of said first group of advertisers; and

providing rewards to the user for each banner advertisement clicked on by the user.

2. The method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of bringing the user to a central website responsible for providing the rewards, between the steps of linking and providing rewards.

3. The method according to claim 2, wherein said step of providing rewards includes the steps of:

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registered user, includes at least one of the following steps:

5 checking a hard drive of a computer that the user is
presently using for a cookie corresponding to the central
website and which designates the user as a registered user;
and

checking at least one of a password and user name of
10 the user against a list of passwords and user names at the
central website.

7. The method according to claim 3, wherein said step of providing rewards includes the steps of:

permitting the user at the central website to register
if the user is not a registered user; and

5 thereafter providing said rewards to the user for each
 banner advertisement clicked on by the user.

8. The method according to claim 7, further comprising the step of placing a cookie in a user's computer hard drive after the user has registered.

9. The method according to claim 1, wherein said step of providing rewards includes the steps of:

determining if the user is a registered user; and

providing said rewards to the user for each banner
5 advertisement clicked on by the user only if the user is a
registered user.

10. The method according to claim 1, further comprising
the step of providing confirmation to the user at a
computer then being used by the user, that the rewards have
been credited to an account of the user.

11. The method according to claim 1, further comprising
the step of permitting a user to access an account of
rewards of the user via a computer of the user.

12. The method according to claim 1, wherein the rewards
comprise airline reward miles or incentive bonus points.

13. A method for providing rewards to a user who reviews
an advertiser's web site in response to clicking a banner
advertisement, comprising the steps of:

providing banner advertisements for a first group of a
5 plurality of advertisers on a plurality of websites of a
second group;

linking the banner advertisements to respective
websites of the first group of advertisers;

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bringing the user to a central website responsible for
10 providing the rewards when the user clicks on a banner
advertisement;

determining at the central website if the user is a
registered user;

permitting the user to register at the central website
15 if the user is not a registered user;

providing the rewards to each registered user for each
new banner advertisement clicked on by the user; and

bringing the user to the respective website of the
first group of advertisers.

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14. The method according to claim 13, further including
the step of providing a message to the user, if the user
clicks on a banner advertisement that had previously
clicked on by the user, which informs the user that no
5 rewards will be awarded to the user.

15. The method according to claim 13, wherein said step
of determining at the central website if the user is a
registered user, includes at least one of the following
steps:

5 checking a memory of a computer that the user is
presently using for a cookie corresponding to the central

website and which designates the user as a registered user;
and

checking at least one of a password and user name of
10 the user against a list of passwords and user names at the
central website.

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